DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

New York District

Food & Drug Administration
850 Third Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11232

WARNING LETTER

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Brian McCallinster, President
The Bridgeport & Port Jefferson Steamboat Co.
102 West Broadway
Port Jefferson, NY 11777

September 15, 1999

Ref: NYK-1999-71

Dear Mr. McCallinster:

During an August 5, 1999 inspection of your vessel watering point facility located in Port Jefferson, New York, our investigator observed violations of the U.S. Public Health Service Act and its implementing regulations for the Control of Communicable Diseases and Interstate Conveyance Sanitation (Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 1240 and 1250).

At the conclusion of the inspection, the investigator presented the Inspectional Observations (Form FDA 483) and Inspection Summary-Vessel Watering Point Sanitation (Form FDA 2521) to Mario Dezelic, Chief, Engineering Department and discussed the findings with him. The following deviations were found:

1. A fire hose was used for delivering potable water at the front of the dock.

2. There was no backflow prevention device in the line leading to the hydrant outlet at the east side of the dock.

3. The hose end was not capped at the east side of the dock.

4. The hydrant outlet was not terminating at least 18 inches above the surrounding platform or pier at the east side of the dock.

The above identification of violations is not intended to be an all-inclusive list of deficiencies that may exist. As a result of these inspectional findings, a "Provisional" classification has been assigned for a 30 day period at which time a reinspection will be conducted. If significant improvements have not been made at that time, a "Not Approved" classification will be justified.

You should take prompt action to correct these observations. It is your responsibility to ensure that all requirements of the U.S. Public Health Service Act and its implementing regulations are being met. You should notify this office in writing; within 15 working days of receipt of this letter, of the specific steps you have taken to correct the noted violations.

Your response should be sent to the Food and Drug Administration, 850 Third Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11232, Attn: Bruce A. Goldwitz, Compliance Officer. If you have any questions, you can call Mr. Goldwitz at 718/340-7000 ext. 5507.

Sincerely,

Brenda J. Holman
District Director

Enclosures: Forms FDA 483 and FDA 2521